Carbondale Pa
19. Feb 18

Dear Russell

Your letter from St. Louis came to day and we were very glad to get it.

I hope J.-J. made the riffle with the Secretary in New York and that you will close up with Omaha and win out over the Hamburg Manager-

Things here are going on as usual. My stump is healing all right but it is very slow. I was in hopes that you would be home Sunday and that I could put my leg on and stump around a bit, but it does not look just now as if either would materialize. But it will be all right a little later and we'll do something-

Mr Warnick was here yesterday and measured my game leg for an ankle brace which may stiffen up my game foot and help out my walking a bit

Everything is ready for the resumption of business except me and I am all ready if I could get down to the Shannon building Reynolds. Dr Laney also Jerrems and Joe Brennan have told me they would have work for me to start in with. All of which is encouraging-

Mamma keeps busy all day and half of the night and manages somehow to keep up, but she cannot keep up the speed forever. When you get home we must plan for her so that her life takes the burdens she is now obliged to carry every hour of every day. Do a little thinking before you reach home

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